



STATE OF UTAH  
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Oil, Gas & Mining

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4241 State Office Building - Salt Lake City, UT 84114 - 801-533-5771

December 31, 1982

Vernal Express  
Legal Advertising  
Vernal, UT 84078

RE: Order to Show Cause  
No. ACT/047/003

Gentlemen:

Attached hereto is a Notice of Hearing/Order to Show Cause, before the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining, Department of Natural Resources and Energy, State of Utah.

It is requested that this notice be published ONCE ONLY, as soon as possible, but no later than the 6th day of January, 1983. In the event that said notice cannot be published by this date, please notify this office immediately by calling 533-5771.

Upon completion of this request, please send proof of publication and statement of cost to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 4241 State Office Building, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114.

Very truly yours,

PAULA J. FRANK  
Secretary of the Board

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Notice was sent to the following:

NEWSPAPERS: Newspaper Agency Corp.  
Vernal Express

Mr. Harry Pforzheimer  
Paraho Development Corp.  
183 Iverness Drive West  
Englewood, CO 80112

Uintah County Commissioner  
Uintah County Zoning Authority

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DEC. 31, 1982

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY  
in and for the STATE OF UTAH

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IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF THE	)	
NOTICE OF INTENT AND RECLAMATION	)	ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
PLAN SUBMITTED BY PARAHO	)	
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, UINTAH	)	NO. ACT/047/003
COUNTY, UTAH	)	

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THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, AND SECTIONS 5, 6 AND 7, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, UINTAH COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given that tentative approval was given by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, on December 30, 1982, to Paraho Development Corporation, to commence site development pursuant to a room and pillar shale mining operation in Section 32, Township 9 South, Range 25 East, and Section 5, 6 & 7, Township 10 South, Range 25 East, Uintah County, Utah. The name of the mine is the Paraho Ute Shale Oil Facility, the person representing the company in this matter is Mr. Harry Pforzheimer, Jr., Chief Executive Officer, 183 Iverness Drive West, Suite 300A, Englewood, Colorado 80112.

Paraho Development Corporation has fulfilled obligations under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975 (Section 40-8, U.C.A., 1953, as amended), and will employ the following mining and reclamation practices on approximately 571 acres of State and Fee land.

DURING OPERATIONS:

1. Initially, 318 acres will be disturbed (initial bond proposal). At maximum development (Phase C), 571 acres will be disturbed and bonded.
2. All natural (undisturbed) runoff occurring on the project area will be diverted around the disturbed area via diversion channels.
3. Runoff retention ponds will be sized for the 100-year, 24-hour precipitation event. A system of culverts, storm sewers, diversion channels and open ditches will be utilized to route surface runoff to the treatment ponds. These structures will also be sized for the 100-year, 24-hour event.
4. As much topsoil and subsoil as can be reasonably picked up will be saved during the site preparation. Two stockpiles will be present on-site. Stockpiles will be protected from erosion from vegetation or other means, if necessary.
5. Initially, water supply will be obtained by pumping from the White River. If and when the White River Dam is completed, the water supply will then be purchased from the State.

6. Sewage and water treatment plants will be built on-site. An evaporation/recycling pond will be constructed to handle the processing and waste waters generated.
7. Any ground water encountered from the Birds Nest Aquifer will be grouted. If any significant flow is encountered during mining, it will be used for dust suppression within the mine or pumped to the runoff retention pond for use at the spent shale disposal pile.
8. The ventilation system for the shaft will be constructed for the possibility of a gassy mine.
9. All operational waste will be handled in accordance with permits granted by various Utah Department of Health agencies.
10. Ground and surface waters as well as subsidence will be monitored.
11. Mining and maintenance will be conducted in a safe and orderly manner.

AFTER OPERATIONS:

1. All buildings will be disassembled, salvaged or otherwise removed from the site.
2. The buildings and road foundations will be broken up and the refuse will be recycled, disposed of at a landfill or buried on-site.
3. The processed shale waste piles will be reclaimed using the methods being developed in current and future research efforts.
4. Shafts and adits will be plugged with concrete caps and backfilled to prevent safety hazards.
5. It is anticipated that the raw sewer water storage reservoir will be reclaimed at termination of operations. All other impoundments and embankment structures will be recontoured to be self-draining and nonimpounding. Diversion ditches will be leveled and stabilized.
6. The mine areas will be regraded to allow for successful revegetation and attainment of postmining land-use. Regraded areas will be topsoiled and seeded and monitored to ensure revegetation success.
7. Existing improved roads will continue to be used. New roads constructed on the project site will be removed and reclaimed, with the exception of a few short segments.

Reclamation performance surety will be established prior to issuing final approval of the mining and reclamation plan.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision is hereby requested to submit written protest within 30 days of the date of publication to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 4241 State Office Building, Salt Lake City, Utah, setting forth factual reasons for their complaint and thereafter, at a time and place heretobe established, appear before the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining to show cause, if any there be, why this plan should not be approved.

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DATED this 31st day of December, 1982.

STATE OF UTAH  
BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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Secretary of the Board